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Phone No. 46. TODAY'S FEATURES

Cuba.
Proceedings against the Three Friends. Cane grinding commenced, Women put under arrest.

TWELFTH YEAR, NO. 304.

Spanish river expedition comes to grief. Pifteen boats sunk by insurgent fire. Correspondence concerning the Sanguil-

Charles G. Dawes says he will succeed Eckels as comptroller of the currency, els as comptroller of the currency.

Nicaragua caust bill and arbitration treaty go before the senate. Numerous minor bills passed by the

James Wilson of Iowa announces his acceptance of a cabinet position, supposed to be the agricultural secretarychip.

Foreign.

Mrs. Carew found guilty of the murder of her husband and sentenced to death

at Yokohama. Grounds of dispute between Minister Taylor and the Duke of Tetaun.

Threatened uprising in Crete. Confirmation of the massacre of Chris-

Three children shot at Stoneham by the accidental discharge of a gun. Sweleton of a mastedon found near Ar-

Ed Yeargan, an old negro in Lamar

Little May Lehr of Waco accidentally

erimnal count convenes, selects a or the term.

The journeymen barbers organize.
Monthly reports of the county treasure d tax collector. Meeting of real estate men.

Ercerts runers by the newly elected of-ficers of the Houston, Light Artillery. Regular meeting of the city council.
The call of the doctet in the civil dis-

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SENATE AND HOUSE.

The Consideration of the Nicaraguan Canal Bill,

ARBITRATION TREATY DISCUSSION

Senate Spent Much of Its Time in Executive Session.

HOUSE PASSED MINOR BILLS.

it Was Suspension Day and Many Bills Went Through Quickly. Consular Appropriation Bitt.

Washington, February 1.-The Nicaraguan canal bill occupied the attention of the scente also today, but no progress was made toward a final vote. Mr. Morgan, in charge of the measure, sought to secure an agreement for a vote temorrow or Thursday, but the opponents of the measure, les by Mr. Vilas and Mr. Daniel, resisted any county, murdered by his son, who, with agreement. While disclaiming any purpose another negro, fires the house to cover of obstruction or flibustering against the of obstruction or filibustering against the up the crime. Both are arrested and con- bill, the opposition insisted that it was of such grave moment as to demand complete discussion.

ross of the survey in Alaska during the inst year.

As a result of recent allegations of political irregularity in belaware. Mr. Chandler (Reft.) of New Hampshire offered a resolution for the senate committee on privileges and elections to inquire into all the circumstances of the resent belaware election, and particularly to inquire whether there existed, for the benealt of the democratic party, a conspiracy among certain evil uninded persons to overcome regular election results and establish a demagogy in the State legislature. The recolution was referred.

At the request of Mr. Hill senate bills penaloning the widow of the late Brigadler General Jos. B. Carr at \$75 per month and the widow of the late Brigadler General John Hough at 550 per month, were passed. Mr. Hissar (Rep.) of Massachusetts, introduced a bill for consolidating the United States circuit and district courts. The senantor said the bill was of great importance and was introduced to inaugurate consideration of the subject, without expectation of spendy action.

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Discussed the Trenty.

Washington, February 1.-As soon as the



NOW, IP THOSE DUCKS KNOW ANYTHING, THEY'LL PLY HIGH AND COME SCATTERY.

upon and the protection of the Chicks manga and Chattanooga and other National military parks; providing that surgeons and assistant surgeons of solidiers homes may be appointed from others than those disabled in the service of the United States; for the recognition of officers of the army to whom medals of honor have been

for the recognition of officers of the army to whom medals of honor have been awarded by placing the letters "M. H." in the army register extending to persons attached to the army imaddition to officers and men) the privilege of being made the recipients of medals of honor.

After the completion of the call of committees, the speaker recognized Mr. Evans (Hep.) of Kemincky to move the passage under suspension of the rules, of the cill for the relief of ext-lommander of the Navy John N. Quackenbash. The bill retires the officer with the rank of commander, as of date June 1, 1881. The bill has been before engress for many years. After a brief discussion it was passed.

A bill to reduce the amount allowed stamboat impactors from 8 to 5 cents a mile was passed after remarks by Mr. Gresvenor of Ohio on what he called the "conomical streak" of the present administration. Referring to the conduct of the state department he spoke sarchatleally of

state department he speke sarcastically of "that Massachusetts spillsman, the pred-dent of a civil service reform association," who had come to Washington at the begin-

Columbia Tap.

Change of Time January 31.

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Leaves 7:30 a. m.

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Leaves 10:45 a. m.

set by an equal amount of cash in the treasury.

The cash is classified as follows: Gold. \$182.57.121; sliver, \$518.708.848; paper, \$144.192.197; bonds disbursing officers balances, etc. \$17.938.281. Total, \$855.533.810, against which there are demand habilities outstanding amounting to \$543.191.490, which leaves a net cash balance in the treasury of \$215.562.420.

Persidential Nominations. Washington, February 1.—The president has sent to the somate the following nomi-

Justice-Henry E. Davis of the District of Columbia, to be attorney general of the United States for the District of Columbia; William H. Minger of Nebraska, to be United States district judge for the Dis-trict of Columbia. State-Martin A. Knapp of New York.

be an interstate commerce commission (reappointed): Frederick W. Kickhusch of Wisconsin, consul at Stattin, Ger-War-Colonel John M. Wilson, corps of War—Colonel John M. Wisson, corps of engineers, to be chief of engineers with rank of brigadier general; Lieutenant Colo-nel Charles A. Wikoff, Nineteenth infantry, to be colonel. Major C. C. Hood, Seventh infantry, to be colonel Captain C. Wil-liams, Seventh infantry, to be major.

The Alaskan Treaty.

Washington, Pebruary 1.—The new treaty relative to the Alaskan boundary was sent to the senate today and examined by a number of senators. Several sepators by a number of senators. Several segators said that the Alaskan trenty settled none of the real questions at issue and that it simply provides for a commission to determine an astronomical line, a line of togained which might be found by contacted surveyors. As to the shore line and the other questions of dispute, they will remain undetermined after the commission provided for in the present treaty has concluded its duries. Those who are opposed to the general arbitration treaty asy that the principal disputes over the Alaskan boundary seem to be determined under the general arbitration treaty.

Queen Lil Called on Mrs. Cleveland. Washington, Pebruary 1.—Ex-Queen Lil-tuokalani paid a visit to Mrs. Cleveland this afternoon. She sent a note to Mrs. Cleveland yesterday asking the privilege of calling upon her. As she had been pre-vented from meeting Liliuokalani by reason

The debt is classified as follows: Interinterest has crassed since maturity, \$1.322200; debt bearing no interest, \$373.623.057.

Total, \$1.223.370.737. This however, does not include \$1880.575.373 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash to the
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\$1 from internal revenue.

Militia Force.

Washington, Pebruary 1.—The secretary of war today transmitted to the secate an abstract of the militia force of the United states for the year 1896, according to the

The grand total of the arms of the service is 1.115,007, and the number of nem available for military duty (unorganized) 10.142,184. The large arms of the service are given as follows: Infantry, 1,020,488; cavalry, 4970; light battery, 4569.

The State Won. Washington, February 1.-In the United States supreme court today the Ohlo tax cases were decided in favor of the State. The opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Fuller on behalf of the majority of the court Justices Field. Harlan, Brown and White dissenting. There were ten of these cases brought by the officers of the Adams, American and United States Express o m-panies.

Bank Burglarized.

Ottumwa, Iowa, February I.—Rhadley's bank at Eldon was burglarized at I o'clock this morning. The safe was blown oper and all the funds taken. The officers re fure to state how much was taken, but they usually kept \$500 to \$500 on hand. The burglars escaped with a stolon team and buggy.

HAVOC WITH BOATS.

One of Weyler's River Expeditions Proved Disastrous.

THE SPANISH IGNOMINIOUSLY POUTED

They Attempted to Capture Portifications Made by Cubans.

WERE ATTACKED WITH CANNON

Fifteen Boats Sunk and a Rundred Men Killed by Insurgent Fire. No Official Spanish Report.

Key West, Fla., Pebruary 1 .- Another marine disaster is reported as happening to the Spaniards, but this time the navy department will not be charged with it, as ir was one of Wayler's own vivor expeditions that was defeated, and badly, too, at Hearing that the insurgents had fortified some beights near Paes, on the river Cuanao, north of Cienfuegos, Weyler sent off Colonel Serves with 300 men in small boats to capture the place and destroy the forts. After proceeding up the river for some twenty miles, on rounding a sharp bend, a heavy musketry fire was opened on them, while a 6-pound plece threw shot uncomfortably close. The river here was shallow end quite narrow, tho channel being near the bank where the inaurgents were.

The first fire killed ten or more of the soldiers, while the fourth shot from the cannon sunk one of the bosts. A second later another bost was sunk. The Spanlards grow desperate and, leaping out of

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cessity for prompt action on the part of the court, which he requested, notwith-standing the announcement of a month's recess by the court beginning today. He trusted his request entirely upon the ground that such action was a diplomatic neces-

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He explained briefly that the action was analyst the stealship company on the allegation of filibustering in the interest of the Cuhan insurgents and that the decision of the district court for Florida had been in favor of the steamer. He also explained that an appeal had been taken to the circuit court of appeals for the Flizh circuit, but that it was considered desirable to have an opinion in the matter by the suprementer of the steamers of public policy on behalf of the executive department, it volving a frave question of international law, the determination of which teight mean neare or war. He continued by saying that the situation was a most delicate one and that under the decision of the Florida court there might be a recurrence of the offense alleged against the Three Friends. He said if the case had involved only a point of law or private interests he would not have crossed for an early hearing.

Washington, February 1.—Attorney Gen-

Washington, February 1 .- Attorney Genral Harmon has given instructions to the United States district attorney at Jackonville, Fla., to at once proceed against the alleged fillbuster Three Priends under section 4297 of the Revined Statutes for maging in an act of piracy.

It is the understanding of the department that the understanding of the department that the Three Priends some weeks ago, while on a fillbusiering expedition, carried arms and a mounted cannon on her deak, was pursued by a Spanish vessel and in making her escape fired one or more shots at her pursuer. Whether shots were actually fired or not the contention is that she was so armed as to clearly bring her under the terms of section 4297.

The attorney general's opinion is that there is but one alternative; the Three firms of section 4297.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.- Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

